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FoDS News

Monday 28th March

3.30-4.30pm Last Gymnastics Club Y3-6

Tuesday 29th March

Wednesday 30th March

3.30-4.30pm Chess Club Y3-6

Thursday 31st March

3.30-4.30pm Last Cheerleading Club Y1
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Friday 1st April

3.30pm-4.30pm Last Dance Club Y1-4

SAVE THE DATE!!! FoDS will be treating all Dawpool families to a **Jubilee Family Festival** on **Friday 20th May 2022 5-8pm**. Please put the date in your diary as it promises to be a great evening where we can all get together after a difficult couple of years and have some fun! Details to follow soon.

Summer Fair 2nd July 1-4pm

We are in the early stages of planning the Summer Fair and hope to have some independent stalls in attendance. If you, or anyone you know, would be interested in having a stall at the fair please let Mandy Parr at the school office know.

Steps of Hope

The homeless charity 'Steps of Hope' based in Liverpool are asking for donations of bars of chocolate or bags of eggs this year instead of Easter eggs

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which are a little bulky. If you would like to make a donation, please hand them into the school office by the **6th April**. Many thanks.

Schoolmoney

Some parents have mentioned having problems trying to pay a specific amount on Schoolmoney. For example when they try to pay an overdue amount of say £55, the system seems to ask for £66. Depending on which device you use to make payments can affect the ability to overtype the amount to pay but Schoolmoney advise that if you use the 'dinner money top up' or 'club top up option' this will be a successful way to pay a specific amount.

UNIFORM

We will be placing a uniform order before we break for Easter so if you require any items of uniform in time for the Summer term, please put your request in by this **Monday 4th April**.

Supastrikers

There is a fun football club now running at St Chad's Church Hall on Monday mornings and Sunday afternoons for 2-5year olds. Sessions cost £25 a month. For more details email info@supastrikers.co.uk.

LAUNCHING 04.04.2022
Wirral's Family Toolbox

Family Toolbox

Family Toolbox will launch on 4th April 2022 and will be available to all parents and carers. It aims to make resources and support more readily available, and it puts the power right in the hands of families to work out what they want to change in themselves and what steps they want to take to do that.

Family Toolbox is made up of digital tools and resources, brilliant people and welcoming places. The Family Toolbox way of working prioritises building

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families confidence and skills so they can make the most of their own strengths and support networks.

We have set up a section under the **pastoral support** tab of our school [website](#) with more information.

COVID-19 Update

The following government briefing is very helpful and sets out the next steps for living with COVID in schools:

[Living with Covid: the end of routine testing in schools, colleges and childcare settings](#)

These are the headlines of what we know will happen from today:

- Access to free COVID tests for most people will end on Friday 1st April. **All community testing sites in Wirral will close.**
- From 1 April, **routine testing will no longer be expected in all**

education and children's social care settings.

- That means **pupils and staff in education settings are not expected to routinely test themselves for COVID-19.**
- From 1 April, anyone with a positive COVID-19 test result (which is expected to drastically reduce in number once the free tests stop) will be advised to try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for **five days**, which is when they are most infectious. **For children and young people aged 18 and under, the advice is three days.**
- As with any other respiratory illness, pupils who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people, where they can. They can go back to school when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend.

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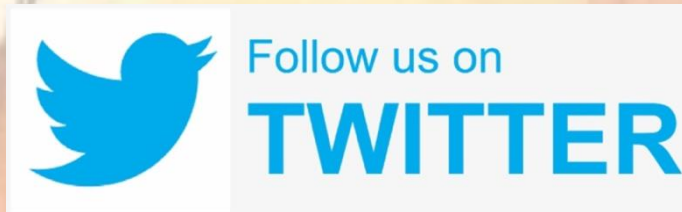


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Each week, we update Dawpool's Twitter feed with news of school activities. Please note you do not need to join Twitter or have an account to see our feed.

Please go to
<https://twitter.com/DawpoolCofE>.

Some of the news shared on Twitter this week include:



Visit from Revd Ailsa Whorton

It was lovely to welcome Revd Ailsa Whorton and Revd Jane Turner into school this week to lead Worship. Revd Ailsa is a soldier and chaplain in the Army. As part of our Lenten Journey, she spoke about the importance of having faith and hope in difficult times. Some children also tried on her uniform which was very heavy!



Visit from the Police

To end our 'people who help us' topic, Foundation Stage had a visit from a Police officer this week. He talked to the children about his role and let them try on some of the uniform. He even brought a

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police car in for them to have a look at. It was great fun!

Cross Country Success



Congratulations to our amazing team of runners who took part in the cross-country relays at Oxton Fields on Thursday. They represented Dawpool brilliantly and we are very proud of their achievements.

Church News

SERVICE DETAILS FOR THE NEXT FORTNIGHT	See next page for Holy Week and Easter Services
Sun 3rd April 9.00am BCP HC at St Barts 10.30am HC at St Barts	Wednesdays 10.30am HC at St Chad's
Sun 10th April - Palm Sunday 9.00am BCP HC at St Barts 10.30am All Age St Chads	There is a change to the office hours next week, the office will be open Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday 9.30am - 12.30pm before closing for the Easter break and re-opening Tuesday April 26th.

Holy Week and Easter Services	Thursday 14th April Maundy Thursday 7.30pm Communion at St Chad's
Sunday 10th April Palm Sunday 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's 10.30am All-Age Service at St Chad's	Friday 15th April Good Friday 10.00am All-Age Service at St Chad's 2.00pm "Hour at the Cross" at St Bartholomew's
Wednesday 13th April 10.30am Communion at St Chad's	Sunday 17th April Easter Day 9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's 10.30am Communion at St Bartholomew's

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Have a lovely weekend
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Head Teacher

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